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America's 5,000 Fastest-Growing Private Companies Revealed

**5,000 Fast-Growth Companies to Quell Your Recession Fears –
List Reports Aggregate Revenue of \$185 Billion**

**Elwood Staffing Ranks No. 1,519 on the 2008 Inc. 5,000
With Three-Year Sales Growth of 248.4%**

NEW YORK, August 20, 2008 – Inc. today ranked Elwood Staffing No. 1,519 on its annual ranking of the 5,000 fastest-growing private companies in the country. The list is the most comprehensive look at the most important segment of the economy – America's independent-minded entrepreneurs. Taken as a whole, these companies represent the backbone of the U.S. economy.

"Our second annual Inc. 5000 continues the most ambitious project in business journalism," said Inc. 5000 Project Manager Jim Melloan. "The Inc. 5000 gives an unrivalled portrait of young, underreported companies across all industries doing fascinating things with cutting-edge business models, as well as older companies that are still showing impressive growth."

Founded in 1980 and based in Columbus, Indiana, Elwood Staffing is one of the country's leading providers of commercial staffing services. The Company places more than 30,000 temporary associates each year in light industrial and clerical positions. With annual revenues approaching \$200 million, Elwood Staffing operates 37 branch offices in seven states. During each of the last 13 years, the company has experienced double-digit growth rates. Additional information can be found at www.elwoodstaffing.com.

The 2008 Inc. 5000 list measures revenue growth from 2004 through 2007. To qualify, companies must be U.S.-based and privately held, for profit, independent – not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies – as of December 31, 2007, and have had at least \$200,000 in revenue in 2004, and \$2 million in 2007.

The 5000 companies that made the list reported aggregate revenue of \$185 billion and median three-year growth of 147 percent. Most important, the 2008 Inc. 5000 companies were engines of job growth, having created more than 826,033 jobs since those companies were founded. Complete results of the Inc. 5000, including company profiles and a list of the fastest-growing companies that can be sorted by industry and region can be found at www.inc5000.com.

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